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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

PAREKH ET AL.

Examiner

Ovidio Escalante

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 07 July 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 21-27 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
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- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is in response to applicant's amendment filed on July 7, 2005. **Claims 1-27** are now pending in the present application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 21-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Bodo et al. US Patent 6,122,239.

Regarding claim 21, Bodo teaches a system for managing deletion of telephony recordings stored in a storage unit, (col. 13, line 60-col. 14, line 4), comprising:

a file structure including directories, each of said directories designated to contain only telephony recordings of conversations created during particular periods of time, (col. 12, lines 28-62); and

a controller, associated with said storage unit, that recovers storage capacity in said storage unit by deleting an entire one of said directories based on said particular periods of time, (col. 13, line 60-col. 14, line 4).

Regarding claim 22, Bodo teaches wherein said telephony recordings are telephone conversations between two parties created during said particular periods of time, (col. 23, lines 5-24).

Regarding claim 23, Bodo teaches wherein said controller deletes an oldest one of said directories, (col. 14, lines 1-4).

Regarding claim 24, Bodo teaches wherein said particular period of time is one day, (col. 4, lines 1-4).

Regarding claim 25, Bodo teaches wherein said storage unit is a disk storage unit, (col. 12, lines 28-62; figs. 1-2).

Regarding claim 26, Bodo teaches wherein selected ones of said files are removed from one of said directories before said controller deletes said directory, (col. 13, line 60-col. 14, line 4).

Regarding claim 27, Bodo teaches wherein said controller deletes said one of said directories by deleting said files contained in said directory and renaming said one, (col. 9, line 57-col. 10, line 8).

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-20 are allowed.

Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-20 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

6. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fan S Tsang can be reached on 571-272-7547. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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